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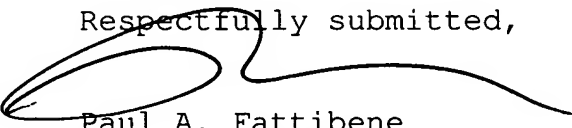
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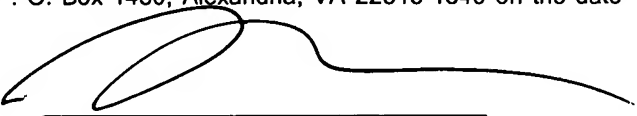
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	"IDE CD-ROM Proposal" Western Digital, Pages 1-38, June 23, 1993
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